

# Che Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3323

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER

**Banks.**  
**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**  
Authorized Capital.....\$1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital.....\$500,000  
**HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.**  
Court of Directors:—  
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman,  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.,  
C. J. Hirst, Esq.,  
Kwan Hoi Chun, Esq.,  
Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.  
Branches.—London, Yokohama, Shanghai,  
Amoy and Foochow.

**BANKERS:—**  
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,  
Parry Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)  
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.  
CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2 1/2  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [18]

**Insurances.**  
**THE FUNDS**  
OF THE  
**STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.**  
ARE invested entirely within the British  
Dominions and are thus free from the  
complications which might arise in time of war.  
They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling,  
and have increased 50 per cent in the last 15  
years.  
**DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,**  
Agents, Hongkong.  
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**GENERAL NOTICE.**  
**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,**  
(LIMITED).  
CAPITAL, TAULS 600,000, \$833,333.33  
EQUAL TO  
RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**  
LEE SWO, Esq., LO YUK MOON, Esq.,  
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.,  
**MANAGER.—HO AMEL.**  
MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES on all parts of the  
world.  
HEAD OFFICE 2 & 9, PRAYA WEST,  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [186]

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY**  
**LIMITED.**  
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000  
The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS AT CURRENT RATES ON GOODS,  
&c. Policies granted to all parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.  
**WOO LIN YUEN,**  
Secretary.  
HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1892. [149]

**STRAITS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,**  
**LIMITED.**  
HEAD OFFICE.—SINGAPORE.  
NOTICE is hereby given that an INTERIM  
DIVIDEND at the rate of 5 per Cent.  
per annum has this day been declared by the  
Board of Directors.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from 21st December, 1892, to  
31st January, 1893.  
By Order of the Directors,  
WM. MACBEAN,  
Agent,  
Hongkong Branch,  
Hongkong, 9th December, 1892. [122]

**Masonic.**  
**DILIGENTIA LODGE**  
OF INSTRUCTION.  
A REGULAR MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'  
HALL, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW, the 15th  
instant, at 5 for 7 p.m. precisely. Visiting  
Brethren are cordially invited.  
Hongkong, 9th December, 1892. [1210]

**PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF**  
**HONGKONG, No. 1, 165, E.C.**  
A REGULAR MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'  
HALL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 16th  
instant, at 4.30 for 5 p.m. precisely. Visiting  
Brethren are cordially invited.  
Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [1217]

**DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF HONG-**  
**KONG AND SOUTH CHINA.**  
THE SEVENTEENTH REGULAR AN-  
NUAL MEETING of the DISTRICT  
GRAND LODGE OF HONGKONG AND  
SOUTH CHINA will be held in the MASONIC  
HALL, Zealand Street, Hongkong, on THURS-  
DAY, the 20th December, 1892, at 8.30 for 9  
p.m. precisely.  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1892. [1207]

**BOARD AND RESIDENCE.**  
COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS,  
with Board and Table Accommodation.  
Apply to  
Mrs. MATHER,  
2, Pedder's Hill,  
Hongkong, 9th November, 1892. [1114]

**PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE.**  
"GLENKALY BUILDINGS,"  
(Nos. 12 and 14, Wyndham Street.)  
MRS. GILLANDERS has VACANCIES  
for RESIDENT BOARDERS and VISITORS.  
Also Accommodation for TABLE BOARDERS.  
Hongkong, 4th July, 1892. [1050]

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
**MR. A. G. GORDON will Sell by PUBLIC**  
**AUCTION,**  
ON  
SATURDAY, the 17th December, 1892,  
at 11 o'clock A.M.,  
instead of Thursday, the 15th December, 1892,  
at 3 o'clock as previously advertised,  
at the Premises,  
THE FOLLOWING VALUABLE  
LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,  
Comprising—  
All those PIECES or PARCELS of  
GROUND situated at Victoria in the Colony  
of Hongkong, and being Section B and the  
remaining portion of INLAND LOT No. 724  
as the same Premises are now held for the  
residue of a term of 999 years from the 25th  
June, 1861, granted therein subject to the pay-  
ment of the CROWN RENT payable in respect  
thereof and the performance of the Crown Cov-  
enants to be performed in respect thereof and  
subject also to the existing Lettings and Tenan-  
cies thereof (if any).  
All those PIECES or PARCELS of  
GROUND situated at Victoria aforesaid and  
being Section A and the remaining portion of  
INLAND LOT No. 724 as the same Premises  
are held for the residue of a term of 999 years  
from the 25th June, 1861, granted therein sub-  
ject to the payment of the CROWN RENT payable  
in respect thereof and the performance of the  
Crown Covenants to be performed in respect  
thereof and subject also to the existing Lettings  
and Tenancies thereof (if any).  
All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND  
situated at Victoria aforesaid and being INLAND  
LOT No. 727 as the same Premises are held  
for the residue of a term of 999 years from the  
25th June, 1861, granted therein subject to the  
payment of the CROWN RENT payable in respect  
thereof and the performance of the Crown Cov-  
enants to be performed in respect thereof and  
subject also to the existing Lettings and Tenan-  
cies thereof (if any).  
The Premises will be sold in One Lot.  
The Sanction of the Government has been  
obtained for the erection of Kerosene Godowns  
on all the above Premises.  
For further Particulars and Conditions of  
Sale apply to  
WOTTON & DEACON,  
Solicitors,  
35, Queen's Road, Hongkong,  
or to  
A. G. GORDON,  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1892. [1184]

**CHRISTMAS SALE.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
OF  
**JEWELLERY, FANCY GOODS, AND**  
**TOYS.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions  
to Sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
ON  
SATURDAY, the 17th December, 1892,  
Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,  
at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street, a  
(for account of whom it may concern),  
A QUANTITY OF  
CHINESE MADE GOLD JEWELLERY  
from 20 to 24 Carats.  
Comprising—  
BANGLES, BRACELETS, LADIES' and  
GENTLEMEN'S CHAINS, STUDS, BROO-  
CHES, &c., &c.  
A VERY FINE SELECTION OF  
FRENCH DIAMOND JEWELLERY, &c.,  
consisting of DIAMOND RINGS, EARRINGS,  
SOLITAIRE, STUDS, BROOCHES, SCARF-  
PINS, &c.  
A FINE ASSORTMENT OF  
GENTLEMEN'S GOLD and SILVER  
WATCHES, LADIES' FANCY and PLAIN  
GOLD WATCHES, &c., &c.  
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF  
FANCY GOODS and TOYS,  
&c., &c.  
Catalogues for Jewellery will be issued pre-  
viously to Sale, and the above will be on view on  
Friday, P.M.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.  
GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [1233]

**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**  
THE following Particulars and Conditions of  
Sale of Crown Land, by Public Auction,  
to be held on the spot, on  
MONDAY,  
the 19th day of December, 1892, at 4 P.M., are  
published for general information.  
By Command,  
G. T. M. O'BRIEN,  
Colonial Secretary.  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1892. [1234]

**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**  
No. 12 and 14, Wyndham Street.  
MRS. GILLANDERS has VACANCIES  
for RESIDENT BOARDERS and VISITORS.  
Also Accommodation for TABLE BOARDERS.  
Hongkong, 4th July, 1892. [1050]

**THE CHEAPEST**  
**STORE IN THE COLONY**  
FOR  
**FRENCH & ENGLISH CONFECTIONERY,**  
**BON BONS,**  
**TOYS, &c., &c.**  
AN EARLY INSPECTION INVITED.  
**HONGKONG TRADING CO.**  
Nos. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, D'Agular Street.  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1892. [527]

**CHRISTMAS 1892!!**  
**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.** have received their new CHRISTMAS STOCK and are now  
showing a splendid collection of Articles suitable for  
**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.**  
Leather Goods, Electroplated Ware, Table Flower Sets, Books, Lamps and Lamp Shades, Fitted  
Dressing Bags, Jewel Cases, Decorative China and Glassware and a good assortment of  
Novelties all at moderate prices.  
**CHILDREN'S TOYS.**  
Toy Books, French Dolls, Rubber and Wool Toys, Magic Lanterns, American Toys, German  
Toys, English Toys, French Toys. The latest Conques, Christmas Tree Decorations, Flags and  
Banners.  
**CONFECTIONERY.**  
New Season's PUDDING and DESSERT FRUITS, NUTS, FIGS, MUSCATELS, ELVES  
PLUMS, CHRISTMAS CAKES and BISCUITS.  
**CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.**  
An assortment of Provisions suitable for the season. Special York Hams, Stilton and  
Gorgonzola Cheese.  
— W I N E S —  
**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1892. [1071]

**W. POWELL & CO.**  
**NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!!**  
**NEW GOODS!!!**  
GREAT PREPARATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THE  
**CHRISTMAS TRADE.**  
IMMENSE VARIETY! IMMENSE VARIETY!!  
**W. POWELL & CO.**  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [1071]

**MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co.**  
(UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL) AND AT SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.  
**PIANOS**  
FOR HIRE OR MONTHLY PAYMENTS, HOME PRICES FOR CASH.  
BUILT SPECIALLY FOR US AND GUARANTEED ABSOLUTELY.  
**PIANO REPAIRS AND RE-BUILDING.**  
25 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN CHINA, AND WORK EQUAL TO THAT DONE AT  
HOME.  
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.  
**CLASSICAL AND POPULAR MUSIC**  
AN IMMENSE STOCK of Peters, Litolff, Augener &c., and all the NEWEST SONGS (Comic and  
Sentimental) WALTZES, PIANO PIECES, DUETS, STUDIES, TUTORS,  
AMERICAN FOLIOS, OPERAS, &c., &c.  
BANJOS, MANDOLINES, GUITARS, ACCORDEONS, CORNETS, VIOLINS,  
MUSIC STANDS and STOOLS, &c., &c.  
Illustrated Catalogue free.

**W. BREWER.**  
**NEW VOLUME OF**  
BOYS' Own Paper.  
Girls' Own Paper.  
Little Wide Awake.  
Bo Peep.  
Chatterbox, &c., &c.  
Children's Picture Books in great variety.  
Children's Toy Books, Story Books, &c. in new  
and attractive covers.  
New Scientific Books.  
New Sets Popular Novels.  
New Sets Popular Poets.  
New Goods in great variety.  
**W. BREWER,**  
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.  
Hongkong, 29th November, 1892. [612]

**CENTRAL HOTEL,**  
**SHANGHAI.**  
THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the  
centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with  
the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites  
and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER SPRAYS, etc., and heated  
to a comfortable temperature during winter.  
**SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.**  
The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1892.  
An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.  
N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."  
**F. E. REILLY,**  
PROPRIETOR.  
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**KELLY & WALSH, LD.**  
IMPORTERS OF CIGARS, TOBACCOS AND CIGARETTES.  
Fresh supplies to hand of the following popular Brands of  
**TOBACCOS.**  
Wills' Three Castles.  
Wills' Gold Flake Honey Dew.  
Wills' Traveller Brand.  
Pioneer Brand.  
Captain Navy Cut.  
Ogden's Best Bird's Eye.  
Ogden's Silver Veil.  
Ogden's Navy Cut.  
Ogden's Fruit and Honey.  
Dollar Brand.  
Happy Thought.  
Golden Eagle.  
Star Mixture.  
**CIGARETTES.**  
Sweet Capital.  
Klaney's Straight Cut.  
Otto de Rose.  
Ogden's Yellow Flash.  
Ogden's Bird's Eye.  
Three Castles.  
Wills' Fluffy.  
**MANILA CIGARS.**  
Compania General Brands.  
Regatta Britannica.  
Regalia Imperial.  
Oriental.  
ALL OUR BRANDS OF  
TOBACCOS AND CIGAR-  
ETTES ARE GUARAN-  
TEED TO BE ABSOLUTELY  
PURE AND OF THE  
FINEST QUALITY.  
WHEN PURCHASING  
PLEASE REMEMBER  
THESE BRANDS  
AND THE  
FOLLOWING  
TRADE MARKS  
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BEST  
TOBACCO  
SHOPS  
AND  
CIGAR  
STORES  
IN  
HONGKONG  
AND  
SHANGHAI.  
**KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,**  
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1892. [6]

**Intimations.**  
**VICTORIA REGATTA.**  
THE OWNERS having kindly lent the  
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB their S.S.  
"OORIVA" as FLAGSHIP, the COMMITTEE  
request the pleasure of the Company of the  
Ladies of Hongkong on board TO-MORROW  
and 16th instant, the occasion of the ANNUAL  
REGATTA.  
Through the courtesy of Mr. GILLIES the  
Flagship will leave Pedder's Wharf for the  
Flagship on each day at 1.15 P.M. and 1.45 P.M.  
Admission to the Flagship Free. Refresh-  
ments obtainable on board. A Portion of the  
Flagship will be reserved for Subscribers.  
E. D. SANDERS,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1892. [1240]

**REGATTA HOLIDAYS.**  
THE Undermentioned BANKS will be  
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public  
Business at Noon, TO-MORROW and FRIDAY,  
the 15th and 16th inst.  
For the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF  
INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA,  
JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,  
T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
F. DE BOVIS,  
Chief Manager.  
For the COMPTON NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE  
DE PARIS,  
L. GLENAT,  
Acting Agent.  
For the BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE  
STRATS, LIMITED, HONGKONG,  
S. L. DARRY,  
Manager.  
For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [1235]

**BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE**  
**OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.**  
THE FIFTH HALF-YEARLY GENERAL  
MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held  
in the NEW ROOMS, No. 16, PRAYA CENTRAL,  
TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at 6 P.M.  
The Chair will be taken by Captain A.  
TILLET, the President.  
By Order of the Committee.  
CHESNEY DUNCAN,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [1220]

**THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAM-**  
**WAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDI-  
NARY GENERAL MEETING of the  
SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company,  
will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the  
Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on  
WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst., at 1 P.M. for the  
purpose of receiving the Report of the General  
Managers with a Statement of Accounts for the  
year ending November 30th, 1892.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 21st instant to the  
27th instant, both days inclusive.  
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [1118]

**THE ITALIAN CONVENT.**  
**FANCY FAIR.**  
THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN  
CONVENT begs to inform her kind  
Friends and the Public generally that a GRAND  
SALE of useful and FANCY ARTICLES,  
suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS, at very  
moderate prices, will take place at the Convent,  
Caine Road, TO-MORROW the 15th and 16th  
December, for the benefit of the Institution.  
The holders of Tickets for prizes are reminded  
that they should be sent in on the 17th, when  
the drawing will take place. Tickets can be  
bought on that day if desired.  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1892. [1209]

**TO-MORROW,**  
**DECEMBER 15TH,**  
**POSITIVELY LAST DAY OF SALE**  
**IN FRONT OF**  
**CITY HALL,**  
**OF**  
**WALCOT'S**  
**COMBINATION POCKET KNIFE.**  
WILL cut glass, will weigh from 1 to 2 1/2 lbs.,  
can be used as a Saw, a Pocket Knife,  
a Pen Knife, a Stone Extractor, a 2 1/2 Inch  
Rule, a Paper Pattern Cutter, a Cork Screw.  
Try WALCOT'S Gold Metal Emery File,  
will sharpen any thing.  
Price, Knife and Stone together.....\$1.00  
For wholesale orders apply at  
VICTORIA HOTEL.  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1892. [1241]

**SINGING AND PIANO LESSONS.**  
SIGNOR CATTANEO has RETURNED  
from Europe and begs respectfully to  
inform the HONGKONG community that he will  
resume his SINGING and PIANO LESSONS  
in a few days.  
Applications to be addressed  
c/o KELLY & WALSH, LD.  
Hongkong, 6th December, 1892. [1199]

**CAUTION.**  
ALL SUMS PAID into the Office of the  
Hongkong Telegraph are receipted on  
PRINTED FORMS Signed by the Manager,  
and no other Person is authorised to receive  
the money. Payments made to unauthorised  
Persons, or not receipted on Printed Forms  
signed by the Manager, cannot be held VALID.  
R. FRASER-SMITH,  
Editor and Proprietor,  
Hongkong Telegraph.  
Hongkong, 8th November, 1892.

**Shipping.**  
**STEAMERS.**  
**DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY,**  
**LIMITED.**  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHEW.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"HAILONG,"  
Captain Roach, will be despatched for the  
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 15th inst., at  
Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1238]

**"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,  
VIA INLAND SEA.  
THE Steamship  
"PEMBROKESHIRE,"  
Captain F. Gedge, will be despatched as above  
on or about THURSDAY, the 15th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 7th December, 1892. [1204]

**"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON,  
HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.  
THE Steamship  
"GLAMORGANSHIRE,"  
Captain Jamieson, will be despatched as above  
on or about FRIDAY, the 30th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [1239]

**SAILING VESSELS.**  
FOR SAN FRANCISCO.  
THE "SIGURD,"  
Assa. Master, will load here for the above Port,  
and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.  
Hongkong, 11th November, 1892. [1114]

**Consignees.**  
"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
S. S. "PEMBROKESHIRE,"  
FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON  
AND STRAIT.  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed  
that all Goods are being landed at their  
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and  
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at  
Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves  
delivery may be obtained.  
Optional cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M.  
TO-DAY.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject  
to sale.  
All claims against the Steamer must be pre-  
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th  
inst., or they will not be recognised.  
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 20th inst., at 3 P.M.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1892. [1204]

**OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-**  
**SHIP COMPANY.**  
**NOTICE.**  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship  
"GAELIC."  
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees  
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their  
Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take  
immediate delivery of their Goods from along-  
side.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.  
J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [2]

**LEVY HERMANOS.**  
IMPORTERS of JEWELLERY and DIA-  
MONDS in great variety, by every Mail,  
fresh consignments of latest Novelties from  
Europe.  
CHRONOMETERS, CLOCKS, and  
WATCHES of all kinds. Handsome TIME-  
PIECES, and all kinds of Optician's Goods.  
LEVY HERMANOS,  
10, Queen's Road Central,  
Opposite the Telegraph Companies' Office,  
Hongkong, 16th September, 1892. [924]

**CHS. J. GAUPP & CO.**  
CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK-  
MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-  
SMITHS, and OPTICIANS.  
CHARTS and BOOKS.  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.  
Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches  
(and for Voigtlander and Sohn's  
CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES,  
MARINE GLASSES and SPYGLASSES,  
No. 2, Queen's Road Central, 1893.

**G. FALCONER & CO.**  
WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANU-  
FACTURERS and JEWELLERS.  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,  
CHARTS and BOOKS.  
No. 40, Queen's Road Central. J. 534







the Executive Council of the Institute will provide, to place the collection in order. I may add that I shall be glad to bring before the Governing Body the names of any gentlemen resident in, or connected with, Hong Kong, who may be desirous of becoming Fellows of the Institute. The particulars of Fellowship are shown in a memorandum which, together with a pamphlet descriptive of the Institute, will be forwarded to you by Sir Frederick Abel.

In conclusion, I would only add that the warm interest which I shall always feel in all projects calculated to promote the welfare and increase the reputation of Hong Kong will at once explain and justify my addressing your Excellency on this subject.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your Excellency's obedient servant,  
C. F. BOWEN,  
Representative of Hong Kong  
on the Governing Body  
of the Imperial  
Institute.

To His Excellency the Governor, Hong Kong.

## HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

Another large and enthusiastic audience assembled at the Circus last night to witness the performance of the various lions enunciated on an elaborate programme which was, although some doubt as to the probability of it, entirely new. No one at that had been witnessed last week being repeated.

Frank, George and John, "the three marvels," opened the ball as clowns and at once put the audience in a good humour. They were followed by Mr. George Harmston with the "Invaluable tick-horse Bangalore," which seems to be possessed of as much intelligence as any ordinary man and a good deal more brains than most people seem to have. "Browlie," the "Sham" for instance, then Matthews and Gilbert created a furore by their pleasant performance with bells and had to "do it again" as per usual. That over, Adeline and Dan Feeley went through some of the most marvellous gymnastics ever witnessed in any part of the world, the latter finishing the act with a most sensational slide for life.

To report fully on last night's excellent performance is more than the space at our disposal to-day will admit of, but Mr. L. E. Blom, who went through the bounding jockey act and jumped on her horse's back from the ground while the animal was galloping at full speed, deserves special mention, as do Dan Feeley, who went through most amusing and difficult stunts on stilts, Amelia and Little Johnnie who electrified the audience by their graceful and daring double trapeze performance, George Harmston for his impersonation of the ruined gambler (quite a hit in "busted" Hong Kong), and Will Hayes, who couldn't get a single sailor to stick on the tickle American donkey "Andy" for two minutes, although the "Jacks" tried hard to "scop" in the ten-dollar bill promised to any one who would ride the sagacious colt three times round the ring.

To-night the programme will be the same, while on Saturday there will be a *matinee* when the extra item of the evening bill of fare will be gone through for the benefit of young Hong Kong, commencing at 3 o'clock.

We are informed that the famous mimic and monologue artist, Mr. Harry Dale, will shortly arrive in Hong Kong in a Shakespearean style, he stands alone, the peer of all. Also Mr. L. E. Blom, an equestrian artist who has won fame in continental Europe by his daring acts of equestrianism and is said to have turned the heads of many of the leading lights of London society, the being the handsomest equestrian in the world.

## NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

LONDON, November 13th.

The steam tug *Secret* which left Lytham on October 25th on a short voyage, carrying three passengers and a crew of six, is believed to have foundered as the body of one of the passengers has been found off Lundy Isle, in the Bristol Channel.

The *Standard's* Berlin correspondent writes that he hears that several of the private conferences is under way having for their purpose the revision of the Samoan treaty.

PARIS, November 13th.

A dispatch from Lisbon says the Lisbon Harbor Works controversy, growing out of the action of the Portuguese Government in selling the plant belonging to M. Herault, a French contractor, has led to differences in the Portuguese Cabinet. The seizure has recently been the subject of correspondence between the French and Portuguese Governments. It is thought that the differences in the Cabinet will result in reconstruction on the conservative basis before the opening of the Cortes, Ministers Bethencourt, Amaral and Faria resigning their portfolios.

With a view to checking the growing importation of foreign goods into the French colonies and protectorates the colonial administration has requested the French railway and steamship companies to establish a system of differential freight rates in favor of French merchandise.

M. Clusette's bill to enforce the penalties for dealing has been rejected by a committee of the Chamber of Deputies. M. Clusette declares that he will bring the bill forward again.

The French public is just beginning to grasp the significance of the result of the elections in the United States. The financial columns of the daily press and the financial organs declare that the Democratic success will give a new impetus to trade, will bring additional capital into business throughout the world and will add fresh fuel to the smouldering agitation against the McKinley protectionists of France.

The leading Swiss *Revue* warns Europe that if the Democrats lower the tariff in America, America will become redoubtable unless Europe also adopts free trade. High duties on American products, it says, will intensify the civil and complete the ruin of the colonies of Europe.

While a company of troops was waiting at the Compiegne station to-day a private insulted and struck an officer, felling him to the ground and crying "Long live anarchy! Down with the army and the officers!"

The man was at once arrested. The penalty for striking an officer is usually death.

NEW YORK, November 13th.

The *Harold* in an article of considerable length to-morrow will advocate the abolition of our foreign ministries and the substitution thereof of a perfected consular service. The *Harold* attributes the first utterance on the subject to James G. Blaine some years ago.

BERLIN, November 13th.

One of the speakers at a meeting of anarchists yesterday proposed that the proletariat honor the memory of the Chicago anarchists by proposing for a general attack upon the bourgeoisie. Another speaker declared the anarchists should reach the goal only by way of the prison and scaffold. A third speaker declared that a social revolution was impossible without bloodshed. He urged that propaganda by violence would be more potent than any speeches in the Reichstag.

A socialist convention will meet in Concordia Hall here to-morrow. The day will be devoted to the election of officers and preliminary organization. On Tuesday a number of papers will be presented and their subject matter discussed.

The King and Queen Regent and their guests

the King and Queen of Portugal, to-day witnessed from the palace balconies, a grand municipal Columbus cavalcade. The spectacle included a number of historical and allegorical cars. An immense crowd witnessed the display.

The Queen of Portugal, who is anxious to see a bull fight, has promised to attend one especially arranged for Wednesday, arrayed in Spanish national costume.

ROME, November 13th.

Supplementary elections for Members of the Italian Parliament were held to-day. The returns so far received show thirty-eight Ministerialists and only one Opposition candidate elected.

BRUSSELS, November 13th.

The *Official Gazette* announces that on the initiative of France it has been decided to hold prior to the assembling of the international monetary conference a preliminary meeting of the delegates from the countries forming the Latin union.

THE HAGUE, November 13th.

United States Minister Thayer denies the report that he intends to resign.

LONDON, November 14th.

The dispute between England and France arising from an English war ship boarding in the waters of Madagascar a slave show that was flying a French flag is settled. Lord Rosebery, the Foreign Minister, agreed to pay a small indemnity to the owners of the ship and to instruct the commanders of British war ships not to interfere with shows within French territorial waters.

The second week of the great cotton lockout opens with increased prospect of the trouble being long continued. There are 6,000,000 spindles working full time, 250,000 on half time, and 12,000,000 stopped. The Masters' Federation has asked the owners of spindles working full time to begin to shorten the time Thursday. All have assented except the masters at Bolton, who apply Egyptian cotton weekly. They plead that their hands are full of orders, and their mills must work full time to fill them.

In the little village of Peterwater, Devonshire, yesterday, Dr. Williams, an unsuccessful suitor for the hand of Emily Doidge, a farmer's daughter, shot and killed her and his rival William Rowe, as they were returning from church. He then shot himself probably fatally.

The correspondent of the *Times* at Ferrol, Spain, asserts the wrecking of the battleship *Houma* was entirely due to the inaccuracy of the Admiralty chart, which was supposed to be correct up to 1875. It was found by soundings to be entirely unreliable.

A dispatch from Kinsale, Ireland, announces that the British corvette *Calybe* has been sighted under sail. The *Calybe*, which belongs to the training squadron, was reported a few days ago as having broken her shaft while en route to Madeira.

The *Standard's* Paris correspondent reports the death of Count Dueros, Councilor of State under the empire, at Colli.

It is reported that the Government has decided to send Captain Logard as British commissioner to Uganda.

PARIS, November 14th.

The parliamentary situation is disquieting. The Ministry to all probability will be overthrown to-morrow or the day after on the question of the library of the press, for it does not wish to take the responsibility of the prosecutions called for in the Panama canal affair. The excitement in political and newspaper world is very great.

By a vote of 318 to 211 the Chamber of Deputies to-day abolished the wine-growers' privilege of manufacturing alcohol from a portion of their crop duty free.

Louise, the Socialist who was liberated after a year and a half's sentence for rioting, at Fourmies, was elected Councilor at Roubaix, beating the Conservative candidate by a vote of 2928 to 1700.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, November 18th.

A Royal Commission will shortly be appointed to consider the modification of the Poor Laws in favour of the aged and those powerless to work. The death is announced of General Dyett Abbot, a British soldier.

The Peninsular and Oriental Company has declared a dividend of five per cent. on their preferred stock and ten per cent. on the deferred stock.

PARIS, November 18th.

A debate lasting three days has taken place in the Chamber of Deputies on the Bill for sharpening the Press Laws, which Government introduced for the purpose of stopping the press publishing articles which are an incitement to dynamism. The overthrow of the Cabinet on the bill was regarded as certain at the outset, but M. Loubet's firmness eventually triumphed and the bill was read a second time by a majority of one hundred and one.

ST. PETERSBURG, November 10th.

Count Tolstolpov resigned another Russian famine in the coming winter.

LONDON, November 10th.

Holmes, late signalman, who caused the accident at Thirsk has been committed for manslaughter. The jury, however, held that the directors were answerable, owing to the long hours the man was kept on night duty.

November 20th.

The committee of the Indian Currency Commission met yesterday and examined Messrs. Fowler, Helmann, Schmidt and others, and afterwards adjourned.

The death is announced of General William Banker.

November 21st.

Summonses against the Directors of the Panama Canal Company were served yesterday. Baron Reinach, one of the defendants in the case, died yesterday of apoplexy.

After 18 February import duties on wine, oil and tobacco will be imposed at Zanibar. The death is announced of Sir Very Revd. Marham Argles, Dean of Peterborough.

PARIS, November 21st.

Notwithstanding M. Loubet's recent victory the Chamber have voted an amendment to the Press Law which vilifies the measure and reverts the Government nearly as powerless as they were before.

LONDON, November 22nd.

The *Gazetier* of Baroda paid a visit to the Queen at Windsor yesterday, and was received with military honors. Her Majesty granted the Maharajah a private audience, and decorated her with the order of the Crown of India.

It is announced that the Channel Squadron will not pay its accustomed visit to the Tagus this year, as owing to the anti-English feeling some hostile demonstration would be made.

A tremendous scene was created in the Chamber of Deputies to-day on M. Delbary, Bonapartist deputy, affirming in a long speech that the Panama Canal Company had spent millions in bribing Ministers, Deputies, Bankers, and Newspapers. He related, however, from mentioning names, but said that one hundred and fifty Deputies were implicated. M. Delbary demanded an enquiry into the matter which was unanimously voted.

The *Turkistan Gazette* narrates that envoys from the Khan of Kandahar recently arrived at Turkistan to beg material support against the British, and that General Vieuville, the Governor, refused absolutely to lend his support. Any disturbance, he said, of the relations between Russia and Great Britain, which together ruled half the globe, would entail frightful calamities on many millions.

BERLIN, November 22nd.

The Emperor William, in his speech on the opening of the Reichstag, declared his relations with Foreign Powers to be friendly, and hoped that Germany would remain undisturbed in her peaceful efforts to promote economic interests. The increase, he promised, of the military power of other states, complete similar measures on the part of Germany, hence the necessity for the Military Bill lately introduced. His Majesty believes that the patriotism of the nation accepts the sacrifice.

CAIRO, November 22nd.

The Egyptian Budget shows a surplus of four hundred and sixty thousand pounds sterling, but the hands of Government are still tied as to its disposal.

BERLIN, November 23rd.

General Von Caprivi, in introducing the new Army Bill in the Reichstag to-day, made a speech in which he said there was no fear of war in the immediate future; but that it was necessary to prepare for the next war on two fronts. France, he said, loved war for glory's sake, and was anxious to conclude an alliance for the sole purpose of reviving the map of Europe. The Powers forming the Triple Alliance were weaker in troops than Russia and France.

His Excellency then said that the German Army was the largest in the world; but it lacked efficiency, and the Government desired thoroughly to enforce universal service, and adopt the biennial system, except in the Cavalry and Artillery.

LONDON, November 23rd.

Lord Kimberley yesterday received an influential deputation, including Sir W. W. Hunter, Sir W. Wedderburn, Mr. Dadabhai Naorojee, Mr. Justice Jindal, besides several native ladies and gentlemen, to protest against the Bombay Government withdrawing its support from the Poona Native Girls School, and advising increased support from Government for Female Education in India. His Lordship, in reply, promised to forward the memorial to the Government, and said the matter was a question of finance. He completely agreed with the speaker as to the extreme importance of encouraging Female Education in India.

Although negotiations between England and Russia regarding the Pamirs are proceeding favourably, a statement made at St. Petersburg that a settlement of the question is speedily expected, is incorrect.

ROMA, November 23rd.

King Humbert in his speech at the opening of the Italian Parliament, said he continued to enjoy friendly relations with all the Powers. His Majesty then said that the Triple Alliance continues its vigilant care to prevent any dimensions in Europe. As regards the financial equilibrium in Italy, His Majesty said it would be attained without any increase in taxation.

PARIS, November 23rd.

M. Ferdinand de Lesseps is so weakened by age that he will not be able to appear at the forthcoming trial of the directors of the Panama Canal Company, of which he is at present ignorant.

LONDON, November 24th.

The British Government has resolved not to interfere in the extension of German influence in the British East Africa Company on the 1st of March, but to immediately despatch an Imperial Commissioner there, with a sufficient native escort, to report on the situation and the best means of dealing with the colony.

The Lord Mayor yesterday opened a Tribunal of Arbitration formed by the London Chamber of Commerce and the Corporation for settling commercial disputes upon a definite system of procedure.

The Masters Federation announces that eight-ninths of the splindles belonging to the members of the federation are now either stopped or working half time.

BOMBAY, November 24th.

The charges against Harry Stafford Davis of cheating and forgery came before Mr. Justice Farran and a special jury to-day. Twelve jurors were challenged before the composition was agreed upon, when seven Europeans and two natives were selected. The prosecution elected to proceed upon the charges of cheating, and if they failed to prove these they would take up forgery. Mr. Inverarity opened the evidence. Mr. Justice made a spirited defence, but the jury after six minutes' deliberation returned a verdict of guilty on both counts. To this they added a recommendation of mercy on account of youth and the influence of others. The Judge said he failed to see why they made the recommendation, but it being made he would take it into consideration. The sentence would be two years' imprisonment on each count, the second term to follow the first.

LONDON, November 25th.

The French have annexed the islands of St. Paul and New Amsterdam as a set off against the annexation of Aldabra by the British.

Mr. J. M. Mackay yesterday addressed the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, in the course of which he advocated a Cadiz Standard for India, of which he advocated a Cadiz Standard for India. The proceedings of the Brussels Conference are expected to be slow, and it is not believed that any delegate possesses full powers, but that the great majority, including the British delegates are instructed to hear all sides and report to their respective Governments.

## THE EVOLUTION OF "YANKEE-COW."

Under the above heading "F. H. C." writes on the 24th ult. from Wexham to the *N. C. Daily News* as follows:—

The absurd combination "Yankee-cow" is nothing more than the English mariner's attempt to pronounce Yangkik-kou, the name of a native export on the northern coast of Shanghai. This obscure port lies at the mouth of the Szechow Ho, about 80 H.S. E. of the present mouth of the Yellow River. Within the past two years our Chinese Consul has given quite an impetus to the commerce of the place by establishing steam navigation between that port and Chefoo. About that time a freak of the Yellow River left the junk port Tienchikou high and dry, thus turning the business of that place toward Yangkik-kou. Subsequently the Taotai undertook to dig a canal or river called Shin Ho to connect Peking lake with the sea. That lake has heretofore found an outlet through the Szechow Ho, whose waters now flow by the New River (Shin Ho) into the Gulf of Pechili, a natural inlet known by the unsavoury name of Mochukou, which is by interpretation "Sow Hollow."

As this inlet lies south of Yangkik-kou about two miles, that ancient port has been dismantled, and rebuilt with greater display and larger prospects on the south bank of the inlet, and rejected in the afore-mentioned appellation Mochukou (pronounced "Moogewoo"). But, alas, even as "Yantai" has been falsely called "Chefoo," so now our new and flourishing port of "Sow Hollow" (Mochukou) is erroneously styled "Yangkik-kou" ("Yankee-cow").

As the inlet lies in the lingo of the Western Barbarians, becomes "Yankee-cow." To avoid confusion of tongues let us adhere to the real name, and call the place Mochukou, or Moogewoo, if you please. This little port promises to become an important factor in developing the commerce of the interior. Unfortunately it can be approached by light draft vessels only, as the sediment from the Yellow River has seriously choked the harbour. Should the wayward Yellow River be allowed

to take its course, in a few seasons the whole volume of that stream will flow out of Mochukou. Already the floods from the Chinese crevasse have seriously damaged the dykes of the New River, and Yam Ho has but that this threatened change in the mouth of the Yellow River might lead to the further exaltation of our ambition "Yankee-cow."

## BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Sandakan, Nov. 23rd, 1892.

Little of interest has happened since I dispatched my last notes by the *Rana*.

Capt. Beattie has returned from a visit to the Chinese, who are waiting for gold on the river Segama and Role. I hear he also did a little prospecting and was fairly satisfied with the results.

The tobacco grown in 1891 on the Malenber estate, Labuk river, has sold for 105 guilder cents per half kilo. This will enable the Company to square up with all their creditors and leave them with the estate and some 15 to 20,000 dollars. Under these circumstances it is hoped the Company will be able to manage both at home and here, this time ought to succeed, for I believe it is a very fine concession. The former manager was much troubled with the intrigues of the Secret Societies among his coolies, and there is no doubt that the labour, difficult, from one cause or another, has hitherto been quite sufficient to bring about disaster to any planting enterprise. This now has entirely disappeared, and good coolies in large numbers may be hired on the ordinary piece work terms with an advance of from 20 to 30 dollars, while recently a small lot were engaged with an advance of only \$15.

The Company of British North Borneo, whose estate runs the Segama river in Darvel Bay was until lately under the management of Mr. J. S. Kennedy, appears to have been singularly unfortunate, and I might with justice use a much stronger term. When the '01 crop reached home, it was pronounced by experts to be a very fine tobacco, which had been entirely ruined from a market point of view by bad sorting, and was sold in consequence for the very disappointing price of 65 guilder cents per half kilo. We in Borneo who know Mr. Kennedy and the way in which he does his work, could not understand such a report, and now comes the news that the same tobacco has changed hands at 105 guilder cents.

This, as if the sorting was not rather among the brokers on the Dutch market, than in Mr. Kennedy's tobacco, and given for what he would do the one as well as, I feel sure, he did the other.

## FOOCHOW NOTES.

Foochow, 10th Dec., 1892.

The tea market has been dull, and the business of the season, one might almost say, is finished. Some 30,000 pieces of the new native-made cloth were disposed of in little more than a month's time by one shop alone at a price covering cost. In spite of the late local restrictions as to the sale of this cloth by cottagers, the regular dealers have felt that they were being undersold and are now fighting poachers with their own weapons.

We learn with satisfaction that the order by proclamation for disbanded Hunan soldiers to return to their own province, as noticed in our issue of 24th ult., is being attended to. Upwards of 200 of these men are now located at a house at the Peking merely awaiting the arrival of more, who have sent in their names, to join them, before embarking in a transport steamer. Their departure is looked upon as a blessing in the city and suburbs.

An important rise in the price of white shifting this week is attributed by natives in the city to scarcity, owing to the smaller import consequent on the failure or retirement of many of the dealers in this cloth. Whatever truth there may be in these local reasons, it is probable that the movement is in sympathy with the importing markets, Shanghai and Hongkong, where the price has fallen in exchange must have affected prices here.

We understand that the Viceroy has received a despatch from Li Hung Chang requesting him to do his best to collect subscriptions for the sufferers by the late floods in the North. In accordance with this request his Excellency has issued a proclamation calling upon the wealthy to subscribe all they can to aid so good a cause, and he promises that those who give large sums shall be rewarded with an official button. It is thought that the invitation will not meet with much success in Foochow, since it has been found by experience that the wealthy men here, said to be very numerous, are afraid of allowing their riches to become known. Such a post as Salt tax collector has been imposed on one after another to their ruin, and they have been called upon in many other ways to assist the Government, the authorities never listening to any refusal. The consequence is that the rich have to live like the poor, to disguise their wealth. From what we have learnt of the new Viceroy we cannot think that this old order of things will be continued in the province, but in the meantime the wealthy have become so mistrustful that, we fear, the proclamation just issued will prove to be useless for the purpose of raising any large sum of money.

## NANKING.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Nanking, December 3rd, 1892.

Yesterday I was returning to my home from the city when I saw an immense crowd of people, and presently I saw the chair of the magistrate and his retinue hurrying away, after a gun had been fired. It was an execution. The criminal was led along the street with chains on his legs, and his hands tied behind his back, and escorted by soldiers. When he arrived at a spot where two large streets cross he knelt down, a man held his queue, and the executioner with one blow severed his head from the body on the signal of a gun being fired. The headman was dressed in red. Immediately the head fell the great crowd of people clapped their hands, not in applause, however, but in their superstitious to drive away the *sho-chi* (the deadly influence, or the spirit of death). Then the magistrate and his retinue hurried away, almost on the run, to the temple of the City God, Chün-hwang, to burn incense, so letting the god know that justice had been done, and to prevent evil influences. From the City God's temple the officials went to the *Magistrate's Yamen*, and the official said, "The *sho-chi* has been driven away by the *sho-chi* (the deadly influence, or the spirit of death)."

As I crossed the street I saw the great pool of blood, and a crowd surrounded the head and body. The criminal was a man who had committed adultery and murdered the husband of his guilty partner.

A few days ago the Treasurer sent his deputy to make a contribution of two hundred dollars to the new hospital built by the Christian Mission. Two of the under-officials also sent him twenty dollars. The Treasurer affixed his seal to the contribution list, as he had been asked to head a subscription for charitable work.

The building is about finished and will accommodate seventy or eighty patients. I celebrated to write some time back about the celebrated Li Hung. The *Fu* official refused to punish him for the Viceroy, as he was guilty of no personal crime, but only that "Original Sin" of the theologians, his father being the criminal, and he was liberated, poor! I expect that he was when he was first incarcerated.

Last night was the regular meeting of the "Nanking Missionary Association," but the proceedings were uninteresting, except a speech by the Rev. D. W. Nichols on the mission work in the Fukien province.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

## THE PANAMA CANAL PROSECUTION.

STORMY SCENES IN THE FRENCH MINISTRY.

The Council of Ministers has decided, says a Paris telegram dated November 13th to the *San Francisco Chronicle*, upon the responsibility of the Ministers of Justice, M. Ricard, to proceed against the Panama Canal Company. M. de Lesseps, the three administrators and all the contractors are to be made parties to the proceedings. A Ministerial crisis is imminent, and a great scandal will doubtless be the outcome of this.

The Ministry was divided upon the question. There were frequent and violent debates, stormy scenes being caused by M. Ricard, M. Villet, Minister of Public Works, and M. Bourgeois, Minister of Public Instruction, who strongly urged the prosecutions. The others were opposed to that course for political reasons. On Saturday the scene was so violent between M. Bourgeois and M. Rouvier, Minister of Finance, that President Carnot was obliged to interfere. On Monday the Chamber passed a resolution making all citizens, even great dignitaries of the Legion of Honour, liable to arrest for cause. This was an indication that Count de Lesseps was to be prosecuted, for he wears the grand cross of the national order. In spite of that, however, the Ministry did not care to press the trials because a number of Deputies and politicians are compromised. They preferred to get away.

At a council held this morning, M. Carnot presiding, M. Ricard, Minister of Justice, said: "As Chief Justice of France, I order the prosecution of the administrators of the Panama Canal."

His colleagues could not believe their ears. It was true, however, and they were obliged to bend.

Before anything can be done the Deputies believe that the Ministry will fall, and that it will fall to-morrow, perhaps upon the Press Bill, for, not having taken the responsibility for this measure, it is impossible to foretell the consequences.

As I have said, a great number of politicians are actually compromised, not directly by having taken part in the Panama scheme, but in having accepted "commissions" under forms more or less disguised. The names are known and the whole world will soon see a lot of dirty linen washed.

The figures which serve as a basis for the prosecution show that out of 1,300,000,000 francs only 471,000,000 francs were used properly. The remainder disappeared. Some went to the newspapers, which received 200,000,000 francs, and some to the politicians, who received 8,000,000 francs. The contractors are to be prosecuted as accomplices, for they expended on the work only 7,000,000 francs out of 25,000,000 francs.

In all the hurly-burly this news has created it is impossible to distinguish between truth and lies, but the preceding facts are correct.

## To-day's Advertisements.

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER.

HONGKONG, No. 218, S.C.

AN EMERGENCY CONVOCATION of the above Chapter will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 14th instant, at 8 for 8.30 o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1243]

NOTICE.

THE MARIA CHRISTINA CIGAR DEPOT, No. 8, D'ARQUER STREET, HONGKONG.

HAS received from their MANUFACTORY in Manila some specially-made CIGARS for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. The CIGARS from this MANUFACTORY have obtained PRIZES at all the EXHIBITIONS for excellence of Leaf and Workmanship. An inspection is respectfully solicited. Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1246]

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THE PANORAMA consists of VIVID ILLUMINATED SKETCHES of the GREATEST WARS of the World and the scenes of the late terrible Earthquake in Japan, &c., &c. Will be opened from the 17th instant at 11 A.M. to 11 P.M., daily, on the Ground Floor of No. 2, Queen's Road, Central, at the entrance to Daddell Street.

PRICES OF ADMISSION. Adults, 1/6; Children under 10 years of age, 1/3; Soldiers and Sailors in uniform, 1/6. A NAFTALY, Proprietor. Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1247]

CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

DURING MY TEMPORARY ABSENCE from this Post the Company's Share is not Authorized to collect any Accounts.

W. STUART HARRISON, Manager. Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1248]

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ROBERT LOVE, Acting Manager. Hongkong, 14th December, 1892. [1228]



